



Annie Lucile McFadden Ward

November 29, 1952 - October 13, 2015

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away."

Revelations 21:4

On Tuesday, October 13, 2015, Annie Lucile McFadden Ward departed this earthly life in Los Angeles, California. Lucile, as she was affectionately called by family and friends, was the fourth of five children born to the late James McFadden and Annie Barfield McFadden. A loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, Lucile dedicated her life to serving God and others. Lucile attended the public schools of Sumter County and was a 1970 graduate of Sumter High School. She further her education at the Sumter School of Practical Nursing and graduated in 1972. Always striving toward scholastic excellence, Lucile continued her education at the Sumter Area Technical College where she earned an associate degree in Applied Science in 1976. She was employed at the University of South Carolina (Sumter Campus) for 30 plus years. While employed at the University of South Carolina, she returned to further her education at the Ashworth Career School of Allied Health where she was awarded a diploma in the Professional Medical Transcription Program.

Lucile was a lifelong and faithful member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, USA in Alcolu, South Carolina. She accepted Christ as her personal Lord and Savior in her early youth. She served in many capacities: Deacon Board

member where she also served as secretary, assistant Sunday school teacher for the primary and junior classes, Presbyterian Women, worship committee, Senior Choir, nominating committee, and church typist. In addition to her church involvements, she exemplified her commitment to her community as a member of the Red Hill Lodge #15, YMCA AND YWCA where she also served as secretary. In her spare time, Lucile was passionate about staying in touch with Darrin, Kyra, and Elijah through Skype video chat. She also enjoyed reading, gardening, interior decorating, traveling, and enjoying the beach. On August 29, 1981, Lucile met the love of her life and they were united in marriage August 14, 1982. This loving union was blessed with two sons, Brandon Scott Ward and Darrin Michael Ward.

Lucile was a loving and attentive mother. She was gentle, very soft spoken, enthusiastic and down to earth. She practiced her Christian beliefs by interweaving her spirituality with her daily walk as a wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend.

Lucile loved God with all her heart, mind and soul serving him faithfully until her death. Her final earthly task was traveling to Hawaii to celebrate the first birthday of her only grandson, Elijah Leonard Ward who was the center of her world. The sun rose and set on her beloved Elijah.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers, James Wesley McFadden, Arthur McFadden and a sister Janie Louise McFadden; Maternal grandparents, Janie Barfield and Harry Barfield, (Rebecca) and Paternal Grandparent, Sarah Ann McFadden.

Lucile leaves behind to cherish her memory, love and legacy: her loving and attentive life partner of 34 years, Benjamin "Bennie" Ward of the home; two sons, Brandon Scott Ward of Sumter, SC and Darrin Michael (Kyra) Ward of Honolulu, Hawaii; one grandson, Elijah Leonard Ward; a devoted sister, Elder Gwendolyn (Gwen) McBride of Sumter, SC, and a half-sister, Earline Hicks of Alcolu, SC; one uncle, Walter Barfield (Rosa) of Alcolu, SC; four aunts, Lillie Mae McFadden of Alcolu SC, Rosa Barfield, Alcolu, SC, Robertha Barfield, Queens, New York and Gracie McFadden of Durham, NC, six sisters-in-law,

Hattie McFadden, Sumter, SC, Lula M. Chaplin, Christine Williams (Thomas, Sandra Westpoint (Rick), Patricia A. Parker (Bernard) and Annette Ward all of Charleston, SC; two brothers-in-law, Christopher B. Ward, Jr. and Nicholas D. Ward of Charleston, SC; a very close and devoted friend, Betty Rhodes and Margaret G. McFadden of Sumter, SC and a host of nieces, nephews cousins, other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Sumter
304 South Main Street
Sumter, SC 29150
(803) 773-3381
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<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

Homegoing Service

OCT **31**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Trinity Missionary Baptist Church
155 Wall St.
Sumter,, SC 29150

Tribute Wall



“ *Palmer Memorial Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Annie Lucile McFadden Ward* ”



Palmer Memorial Chapel - October 28, 2015 at 03:12 PM



“ *Annie Lucile McFadden Ward* ”

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM

JE

“ Dear Bennie,

My heart breaks for you and your sons. Lucile was so dear to me when I worked at USC. I remember attending your wedding. I remember her praying with me when I had been told I may have cancer. And my dear friend spoke for me when I needed a reference. I remember how overjoyed she was when she discovered that she was going to be a mother. I remember a fine Christian woman.

When Lucile's mother died, I told her that the pain of losing her mother never goes away, but it does get easier to accept as time goes by.

I could not attend the funeral because I am recovering from a hospital stay.

I have prayed for you and your sons. I will pray for you again tonight. May God Bless you and keep you in His loving arms.

Jean Hatcher.

Jean - October 31, 2015 at 08:02 PM

MH

“ Praying for your family during this difficult time. Misty Hatfield, USC Sumter



Misty Hatfield - October 30, 2015 at 02:36 PM

PA

“ I am glad I had the pleasure of meeting Ms. Annie. She was always smiling and happy. I will dearly miss her. Thank you for allowing me to be a friend. May you "REST HIGH ON THAT MOUNTAIN" for you were one heck of a lady. May God Bless Mr. Bennie and the rest of the family. She will Truly be missed.

*Patricia Bowman
Lowe's Associate*

R.I.P. Ms. Annie

Patricia - October 30, 2015 at 02:15 PM

PH

“ Bennie, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Lucile's smile always brighten the days at USC.
Thinking of you,
Chris and Paul Herrmann

Paul HERRMANN - October 30, 2015 at 01:25 PM

TW

“ " I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing -- 2nd Timothy 4:7.

You will always be "timeless" to me, Ms. Lucille. I will miss you always.

Toni J. Williams, USC Sumter

Toni Williams - October 30, 2015 at 10:37 AM

JB

“ *Benny, this is Jan Bozzo. Lucile and I worked together at USC Sumter. I am so sorry to hear about her passing. Lucile was an awesome coworker, always had a wonderful word of encouragement for me, and will be greatly missed by all. You and your family are in our prayers.*

Jan Bozzo - October 30, 2015 at 09:43 AM

AJ

“ *I remember Lucile's quiet and gentle spirit. She was always a blessing to me. Lord, please comfort those she left behind. Allena Jordan*



Allena Jordan - October 30, 2015 at 09:14 AM

RP

“ *My dear cousin Lucile will be missed! I will remember and cherish her gentle spirit and contagious smile. Well done Lucile, they good and faithful servant, Well Done!*

Rev. Broderick Prioleau - October 29, 2015 at 11:52 AM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Annie Lucile McFadden Ward.*



October 29, 2015 at 08:40 AM

CS

“ *Bennie, Brandon, Darrin and Gwen,
Please know that you are surrounded by
family and friends during this difficult period.
Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Our
lives were touched by Lucille.
You will be strengthened by God's grace in the days ahead.*
Alphonzo and Carrie Sinkler-Parker



Carrie Sinkler-Parker - October 29, 2015 at 07:30 AM

FG

*Bennie, know that you and your family are surrounded by God's love.
Lucile is in God's protective care. Be strong, encourage and lean on
God's strength in days to come!*

Friendly and Flora Gadson

Flora Y Gadson - October 30, 2015 at 12:18 PM

JT

*We grew up like sisters and brothers you me Gwen and Wesly you will
be greatly miss but your memory will forever be in my heart Buckey.
Bennie just lean on Jesus like you've never lean on him before and He
won't let you fall.*

John Tindal - October 30, 2015 at 05:48 PM



“ 28 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Palmer Memorial Chapel - October 28, 2015 at 03:01 PM